

## The Church's Calendar This Week

Sunday, May 20

### **Pentecost Sunday**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for Repairs & Maintenance**

**Masses at 6:00a/7:30/9:00/10:30/12:00n/6:00pm**

Monday, May 21

**Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church**

Tuesday, May 22 - *Easter Weekday*  
No Cathedral Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, May 23 - *Easter Weekday*  
Sacrament of Reconciliation at 11:00am  
Adult Bible Study at 6:00pm

Thursday, May 24 - *Easter Weekday*

Friday, May 25 - *Easter Weekday*

Saturday, May 26

**Memorial of St. Philip Neri, priest**  
Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am  
Ss. Marianne/Damien Devotion Group at 12:30pm

Sunday, May 27

### **Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity**

**Masses at 6:00a/7:30/9:00/10:30/12:00n/6:00pm**

### Most Beautiful Among Women

Calling all women to come join us on Sunday, May 20, 2018, in the Kamiano Center from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm for fellowship, prayer, praise and worship, lunch, teaching from the Word of God, and a joyful day together in the Lord! Feel free to bring your children as we also offer children's ministry at the same time. Come enjoy Pentecost Sunday as together we learn more about being filled with the Holy Spirit!

### Outreach Ministry

Outreach Ministry looking for assistant every Saturday from 10:00am – 2:00pm for the HIE HIE Shower Trailer. Looking for 4 – 6 volunteers for any given Saturday. Also looking for donations of clothes, (Especially men's clothing) toiletries, food and, monetary donation at accepted. For more information, please call Ron Gochenouer at (808) 306 – 7502.

## Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday Collection	\$ 8,041.70
Weekday Collection	\$ 2,072.76
Coffers	\$ 497.84
Holy Day Collection	\$ 326.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 10,938.30</b>



## Cathedral Renewal Campaign

### **\$7.5 Million Milestone Surpassed!**

The Cathedral Renewal Campaign is excited to report that more than \$7.5 million has been raised to support restoration of the historic Cathedral Basilica.

The project to renovate, restore and preserve the 175 year-old Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace began in 2008 with preliminary studies, site surveys, historical analysis and architectural designs.

Funding for the project was launched with monies allocated to the Cathedral's renovation as part of the Diocesan-wide *With Grateful Hearts* campaign - \$1.3 million.

Cathedral staff reinstated fundraising efforts in 2013 with the creation of the Cathedral Renewal Campaign, which sought broad support from the Cathedral parish community and other supporters - \$2.1 million.

Under new leadership and with the start of construction on the horizon, fundraising efforts were again re-established in June 2015. Since that time, another \$4 million has been secured, bringing the total amount raised to more than \$7.5 million.

Many thanks to the more than 1,500 parishioners, friends, foundations, parishes, clergy, religious orders and clubs, school groups, staff and businesses who have supported this effort. ***Mahalo nui loa!***

With your help, we build upon the legacy of those who came before us by renewing the Cathedral Basilica to ensure she is restored and preserved to serve our Catholic community for many years into the future.

To learn more about Cathedral Renewal Campaign and/or to make a contribution:

Call: 808-585-3357, or visit us online at [www.HonoluluCathedralRenewal.org](http://www.HonoluluCathedralRenewal.org).

Click on the "Learn" button, or select "Renewal Campaign" in the toolbar to view our 5 ½ minute campaign video.

# May 20, 2018 – Pentecost Sunday

## Exegesis on this Sunday's readings

*Vigil: Genesis 11:1-9 or Exodus 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ezekiel 37:1-14 or Joel 3:1-5 | Psalm 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 | Roman 8:22-27 | John 7:37-39*

*Mass during the Day: Acts 2:1-11 | Psalm 104:1ab, 24ac, 29bc-30 | 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Galatians 5:16-25 | John 20:19-23 or John 15:26-27; 16:12-15*

In his writings, Luke frequently uses Old Testament stories as models to present the life of Jesus and describe the early Church. In today's First Reading, symbols from the Hebrew Scriptures are used such as a storm, wind, and fire to describe the event of Pentecost. Luke concentrates on the Holy Spirit's continuation of the mission of Christ through the apostles and early followers of Jesus. The Spirit is the force that will help open the kingdom of God to all nations as the disciples act to fulfill the mission Jesus gave them.

Today the Church sings one of the four sequences: ancient, poetic songs that precede the singing of the Gospel acclamation. In the Pentecost Sequence, *Veni, Sancte Spiritus*, the Church prays for the Spirit to come. Using beautifully poetic titles, the sequence calls on the Father of the Poor, the Comforter, Divine Light, Sweet Rest, and Healer, and emphasizes that if the Spirit is absent, we have nothing. But when the Holy Spirit is present, we have salvation and joy.

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### **Next Sunday's Readings: "Pentecost Sunday"**

*Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40 | Psalm 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 | Roman 8:14-17 | Matthew 28:16-20*

## From the Rector's Desk

Dear Cathedral family:

Happy Birthday!

Today, on Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate the birthday of the Church. From the womb of that upper room, the apostles went out into the world and gave birth to the Church, the Body of Christ. The Word had become flesh, in Jesus Christ, and the apostles made real "in flesh and blood terms" the real presence of Jesus Christ. From being afraid, they became filled with faith and courage. All of this happened because of the coming of the Holy Spirit.

God challenges all of us to "make real" the presence of Christ in our world. We can be afraid, threatened by a sense of our own unworthiness or by a world that doesn't value Christian values. As the apostles faced threats of death, it must have seemed impossible that the message of Christ would survive. But, they opened themselves to the powerful presence of the God the Holy Spirit and miracles resulted. The impossible became possible. It is the same Holy Spirit that is available to us and will help us to "give flesh" to Christ today.

One of the most important things that the Holy Spirit does is to help all of us remain one body in Christ and to bring reconciliation and peace. At the first Pentecost, it was obvious that the Spirit was at work as people of various cultures came together to hear the same message about the "mighty acts of God". As Paul reminds us in Corinthians, all the parts of the body are important and need to work together. With so much threatening to divide us, we need the Holy Spirit to help us to come together.

We all experience hurts as we relate to one another and we need the Holy Spirit to help bring forgiveness.

“Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth.

In Christ's love,

Very Rev. Msgr. Gary L. Secor, V.G.

Rector